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The beginning of the fiscal year 1911 was more than \$4,000,000,000. Of this \$3,837,000,000 was paid out for civil war pensions. The total amount of the pensions paid by the national government have been on account of the civil war. The admitted pension office are so numerous that they fill twenty-seven rooms and weigh more than three thousand tons. More than three and a quarter million claims have been filed since the establishment of the American pension system. A million and a quarter of these have been rejected.

Mrs. Phoebe M. Palmer of Brookfield, N. Y., aged eighty-nine years, pensioned by special act of Congress as the daughter of Jonathan Woolley, who served under George Washington in the Revolutionary War. She is the only pensioner on account of the revolutionary war remaining on the roll in 1911. The last survivor of that war was Esther S. Damon of Plymouth, Utah, who died in 1906 at the age of ninety-two.

The last survivor of the Revolutionary War was Daniel F. Bakeman, who died at Freedom, Cattaraugus county, N. Y., in 1880, aged 109 years. The last survivor of the war of 1812 was Hiram Cronk of Ava, N. Y., who died in 1905, aged 106 years. There are now 450 widows of the war of 1812 still carried on the pension rolls in 1911.

The bureau of education is a part of the Department of the Interior and aims to serve as a sort of national clearing house for educational information. It seeks to gather such information as is available from the educational activities of every progressive community of the world as well as to make the more backward communities take advantage of the lessons of progress, and to bring themselves to the forefront of educational work. If one community happens to have a method of teaching that is superior to that of another, the bureau of education sends it to the other. It also sends the results of its investigation in pamphlet form so that interested communities may have the benefit of the experience.

The school administration division of the bureau aims to secure the establishment of better systems of school accounting and school statistics throughout the nation. It keeps a record of the progress of the nation in gathering information relating to standards of collegiate and professional education. It also keeps a record of the progress of the nation in gathering information relating to standards of collegiate and professional education. It also keeps a record of the progress of the nation in gathering information relating to standards of collegiate and professional education.

The pension office is an important bureau of the Interior Department. The number of survivors of the civil war now on the pension roll exceeds half a million, but the number of survivors of the war of 1812 is only 450. The annual payments on account of pensions at the beginning of the fiscal year 1911 was \$158,000,000. The average value of each pension is \$171.30. The total amount paid out for pensions at the beginning of the fiscal year 1911 was \$158,000,000.

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CHAPTER XXX.—Continued.

Burton paused at the door and looked back. Dick had spoken with a shade more reserve than he liked. "I am able to take my medicine, Bannington," he said, a little diffidently, "but you have hinted at hope. You won't turn me down, will you?"

"I play to win. I stack the cards when it is necessary. I don't want to see any of my single men—least of all you. Still, you have to get out of this scrape through my door."

As soon as Burton had withdrawn, Dick called up the Holland, told the exchange girl that she had won the chocolate, and again as soon as possible. When she informed him after a short delay that the Holland had left the hotel, Dick slowly hung up the receiver and stared after it for a moment. Then, with a sigh, he called his valet and told him to get a new suit of clothes. He had promised to hasten to Dick's office as promptly as possible, and he had eaten nothing since.

"I haven't size enough," he muttered, with honest pessimism. "My plan was right, but I'm too much of a lightweight to carry it out."

His arm sank to a heap on the desk, his head rested on them, and for a space the active mind was as a motor from which the current has been torn.

The door to the outer office opened and Kate entered, her face flushed from the haste in which she had come and the mingled emotions which beset her.

"He Bannington unengaged?" she asked.

Ivan nodded, but having grown accustomed to having his sacred office treated with disdain, made only a feeble pretense of dismounting from his stool.

Kate crossed the office hurriedly and knocked. Dick awoke himself with an effort and was at first tempted to escape through the closet, but the few moments

of absolute relaxation had given him new force and he straightened in his chair and called: "Come in."

"Why did you wish to see me?" she said, with reserve.

"I am tired and you are the most refreshing sight in all the world," he said.

"Please stop. Under the circumstances I should prefer to see you alone. I have been deliberately determined to ruin my father—he told me so less than an hour ago, and it is killing him. I did not come here to listen to flattery."

"I am not your father's enemy," answered Dick, sincerely. "He is not ruined yet, and if he is, it will be through his own obstinacy. I will be through his own obstinacy. I will be through his own obstinacy."

"The girl looked at him proudly, for a moment the expression wavered toward anger, and then it settled to wistful disappointment. "This is what I feared," she said, in a voice which refused to be quite steady. "Oh, Dick, I trusted you. I trusted you to be a gentleman and a noble under your careless manner. Dick, I did love and respect you, but I never can again."

"But I'm not responsible for your father's obstinacy," exclaimed Dick, in amazement.

"I think you understand what I mean. It is the smallest of your nature, the craftiness, the—"

"Go right ahead," encouraged Dick, "say just as mean things as you can think up if it will be the slightest relief to your spirit. I like to hear you blurt out what you think. I like to hear you blurt out what you think."

"I'm too weak to do any mind readings. I reckon you'll have to say it." "I hate even to think it," she said, in low tone. "But I am sure that you have made my hand the price of my father's ambition. Dick, you have broken my heart."

Dick had risen as soon as he had observed his visitor's identity, but when she had joined the others in attacking him he had seated himself defiantly. Now he rose and took her face very slowly and very gently between his hands. Turning it toward his own, he gazed into it for a moment and said, very soberly: "Kate, I should be glad to have you appointed in me, if I were such a cad, but thank heaven, I am not. I have not thought of your hand in this deal—not for a moment—I am willing to work for you all my life, but if you could be bought—"

no matter at what price—Kate, I couldn't love you, then."

Her face turned rose beneath his gaze, and her hands stole upward and pressed his hands. "And you will not ruin my father?" she asked.

"I will not ruin my father," replied Dick, firmly, as he gently withdrew his hands. "I did not bargain with him when you were here. I will not bargain with him now. Love is love, and we must keep it pure, no matter how loudly the devil howls as I drive them into the open."

Kate backed away from him slowly. "Then, I must leave you. I do not think that I could ever love you again. I am not your father's enemy," answered Dick, sincerely. "He is not ruined yet, and if he is, it will be through his own obstinacy. I will be through his own obstinacy. I will be through his own obstinacy."

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